

KEENE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE FATALITY ACCIDENT

On Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at about 3:20pm Keene Police Sgt. Gene Geheb, Officer Daniel Martin and Officer Steven Miller were dispatched to a fatality accident on US Hwy 67 near CR 801B, near the west city limits of Keene. Officers investigating the accident found that a blue 2010 Honda Civic sedan had been traveling eastbound on US 67, and a white 2015 Chevrolet Silverado pickup had been traveling westbound on US 67. Witnesses advised that the Honda Civic pulled onto the eastbound shoulder of the road and slowed down, then immediately turned left to make a U-turn across all lanes of traffic. The Chevrolet pickup attempt to brake and move onto the westbound shoulder to avoid the Honda Civic, but the vehicles collided on the westbound shoulder. The impact caused the Honda Civic to end up in the south ditch of the roadway, and the Chevrolet pickup to end up in the north ditch of the roadway.

Officers' opinions were that the female driver of the Honda Civic, identified as 79 year old Maria C. Moore of Burleson, Texas, had not been wearing her seat belt at the time of the crash. Ms. Moore was transported to Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Cleburne by CareFlite ground ambulance, where she was pronounced dead at about 4:00pm. The male driver of the Chevrolet pickup, identified as 37 year old Zachariah A. King of Burleson, Texas, was not injured.

Keene Fire/Rescue personnel also assisted at the scene.